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# News Release

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## **Pre-Scoping meeting scheduled for Prairie City Ranger District's Cliff Knox Project**

**PRAIRIE CITY Ore.** – The Prairie City Ranger District of the Malheur National Forest is in the process of developing a proposed action for the Cliff Knox Project. The approximately 40,000-acre project area is located 30 miles southeast of Prairie City, Oregon, and is situated on the Prairie City and Emigrant Creek Ranger Districts in Grant and Harney Counties. The project area is comprised of the Blue Bucket Creek and Cliff Creek-Malheur River subwatersheds, and includes the Malheur River Inventoried Roadless Area, as well as part of the Malheur River Wild and Scenic River corridor.

We are looking to engage individuals and organizations who have an interest in the project area to help guide the Forest Service in the early stages of the planning process. We need your input as stakeholders to help us understand the landscape from your perspective.

**An informal, open house style public meeting to share information about the Cliff Knox project area will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Prairie City Senior Center, 204 N. McHaley, Prairie City, Oregon.** The goal of this meeting is to discuss what is known about the existing condition of the project area. We invite you to come and share with the Prairie City Ranger District interdisciplinary team and other stakeholders what is important to you about the Cliff Knox area.

Forest Service staff will provide information about existing conditions of resources in the project area and solicit feedback about the types of activities that may be proposed to address resource concerns. If you are unable to attend this meeting, we will be inviting your input throughout all phases of the planning process.

If you have questions about the project, additional information can be obtained by contacting Amy Mathis (NEPA Planner) at 541-820-3890 or [amymathis@fs.fed.us](mailto:amymathis@fs.fed.us).

We look forward to working together in the management of the Malheur National Forest.

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